

AMENDMENT

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 38. (Cancelled)

39. (Currently Amended) A method for receiving performance information content over a network for generating a pseudo-live performance, the method comprising:

detecting a need for the performance information content by determining that whether stored performance information content is out-of-date;

selecting a process for obtaining the needed performance information content;

executing the process for obtaining the needed performance information content; and

generating the pseudo-live performance by mixing information content corresponding to one or more portions of the needed performance information content with other information content, wherein[[[:]]] , determining that whether stored program information content is out-of-date further comprises:

transmitting a query to determine a time of a latest update of the stored performance information content,

receiving the time of latest update of the stored performance information content in response to the transmitting of the query,

accessing a time-stamp of the stored performance information content, and

determining whether the time-stamp of the stored performance information content matches the time of the latest update of the stored performance information content.

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, further comprising:
 - accessing a profile, wherein the profile indicates one or more of:
 - a type of information content desired by an end-user;
 - a schedule of an end-user; and
 - scheduled times at which information content is transmitted by ~~the~~ a performance transmitter.
41. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, further comprising determining whether a performance transmitter is of a type that is capable of receiving and responding to ~~an information a content~~ request, wherein the determining further comprises one or more of:
 - transmitting a query signal to the performance transmitter;
 - passively receiving a signal from the performance transmitter; and
 - accessing a profile.
42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, further comprising:
 - generating ~~an information a content~~ request; and
 - transmitting the request to ~~the~~ a performance transmitter via the network.
43. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein the selecting a process comprises determining an appropriate time to receive information content from ~~the~~ a performance transmitter.

44. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein generating the pseudo-live performance comprises:

retrieving the other information content;
decoding one or more commands of the other information content; and
performing one or more tasks instructed by the commands.

45. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 44, wherein the one or more commands includes one or more of programming commands that execute a software program, housekeeping commands that load, delete, change or overlay stored information content, and performance commands that reproduce stored information content from one or more specified locations of a storage device.

46. (Currently Amended) A pseudo-live performance generator, comprising a controller that:

detects a need for performance information content by determining that stored performance information content is out-of-date;
selects a process for obtaining the needed performance information content;
executes the process; and
generates the pseudo-live performance by mixing information content corresponding to one or more portions of the needed performance information content with other information content, wherein

when the controller determines that stored performance information content is out-of-date, actions of the controller comprise:

accessing a time of a latest update of the stored performance information content,
accessing a time-stamp of the stored performance information content, and

determining whether the time-stamp of the stored performance information content matches the time of a latest update of the stored performance information content.

47. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 46, further comprising:

accessing a profile, wherein the profile indicates one or more of:

a type of information content desired by an end-user;

a schedule of an end-user; and

scheduled times at which information content is transmitted by ~~the~~ a performance transmitter.

48. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 46, wherein the controller performs one or more of:

transmitting a query signal to ~~the~~ a performance transmitter;

passively receiving a signal from the performance transmitter; and

accessing a profile.

49. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 46, further comprising:

a request generator that generates an information content request, wherein the controller transmits the request to ~~the~~ a performance transmitter via the network.

50. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 46, wherein the controller determines an appropriate time to receive information content from the a performance transmitter.

51. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 46, wherein the controller:

retrieves the other information content;
decodes one or more commands of the other information content; and
performs one or more tasks instructed by the commands.

52. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 51, wherein the one or more commands includes one or more of programming commands that execute a software program, housekeeping commands that load, delete, change or overlay stored information content, and performance commands that reproduce stored information content from one or more specified locations of a storage device.

53. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein the performance information content includes multimedia performance information content.

54. (Currently Amended) The pseudo-live performance generator of claim 46, wherein the performance information content includes multimedia performance information content.